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Paper No. 5

In re Application of: Edward Gendelman Serial No. 09/848,090

Filed: May 2, 2001

For:

PROCESS FOR PACKAGING AND SECURITIZATION OF FUTURE CRUDE OIL AND

NATURAL GAS PRODUCTION

STREAMS

: DECISION ON RENEWED :PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL : (ENERGY)

This is a decision on the renewed petition filed April 1, 2002 under 37 CFR 1.102 (c) to make the above-identified application special under the accelerated examination procedure set forth in MPEP 708.02, Section VI: Energy. A petition to make special was filed on December 18, 2001. That petition was dismissed in a decision mailed February 5, 2002 wherein it was held that the invention did not materially contribute to the discovery, development, conservation or more efficient utilization of energy resources.

A grantable petition to make an application special under 37 C.F.R. 1.102 (c), MPEP 708.02, Section VI for an invention which materially contributes to (A) the discovery or development of energy resources, or (B) the more efficient utilization and conservation of energy resources must be accompanied by statements under 37 CFR 1.102 by applicant or his attorney explaining how the invention materially contributes to category (A) or (B) set forth above.

The petition states that the invention allows producers to increase deployed capital, thereby leading to more aggressive exploration and drilling programs, which would contribute to the discovery and development of additional energy resources.

It is maintained that the alleged increase in discovery and development of energy resources is not the direct result of the invention. While the process for packaging and securitizing may offer improved financing and risk capabilities, it does not directly result in the discovery or development of energy resources. The money could be used in a variety of ways and not necessarily for exploration and drilling.

For the above stated reasons, the petition is **DENIED.**

Any request for reconsideration must be filed within TWO MONTHS of the date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted.

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